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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR <b>09/807413</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/EP99/02745</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>23 APRIL 1999</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>20 OCTOBER 1998</b>		
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>BAG FOR PRESERVING AND TRANSPORTING STERILE PRODUCTS IN POWDER FORM AND FOR FORMING SOLUTIONS OF SAID PRODUCTS IN THE BAG</b>				
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Marco FALCIANI, et al.</b>				
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li><li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li><li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).</li><li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.</li><li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li><li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li><li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li></ol></li><li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</li><li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).</li><li>8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li><li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li><li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li><li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li></ol></li><li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li><li>10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).</li><li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).</li><li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).</li></ol>				
<b>Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>13. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li><li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li><li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</li><li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.</li><li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li><li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</li><li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail</li><li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:</li></ol>				
<b>Request for Consideration of Documents Cited in International Search Report</b> <b>Notice of Priority</b> <b>PCT/IB/304</b> <b>PCT/IB/308</b>				

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<p><b>21. The following fees are submitted:-</b></p> <p><b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE ( 37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5) ) :</b></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%; vertical-align: top;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1,000.00</td> <td style="width: 20%; vertical-align: bottom; text-align: right;"><b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but Internation Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$860.00</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$860.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$710.00</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$710.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$690.00</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$690.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$100.00</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>\$860.00</b></p>			<input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1,000.00	<b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but Internation Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$860.00	\$860.00	<input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$710.00	\$710.00	<input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$690.00	\$690.00	<input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00	\$100.00										
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<p><b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b></p> <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;">   <b>22850</b>          Surinder Sachar          Registration No. 34,423          (703) 413-3000       </div>																						
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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Marco FALCIANI, et al.

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FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: BAG FOR PRESERVING AND TRANSPORTING STERILE PRODUCTS IN  
POWDER FORM AND FOR FORMING SOLUTIONS OF SAID PRODUCTS IN  
THE BAG**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF DOCUMENTS  
CITED IN INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that applicant(s) request that the Examiner consider the documents cited in the International Search Report according to MPEP §609 and so indicate by a statement in the first Office Action that the information has been considered. When the Form PCT/DO/EO/903 indicates both the search report and copies of the documents are present in the national stage file, there is no requirement for the applicant(s) to submit them (1156 O.G. 91 November 23, 1993).

Respectfully submitted,

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